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This replies to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office, mailed April 22, 2002. A copy of the Notification is

Enclosed is the declaration of inventors Sunil V. Thakur and Zulfiqar N. Momin.

Applicants note that because the two-month response date for mailing this response fell on a Saturday (June 22, 2002), this response is timely in that it is being mailed on or before the first business day (Monday, June 24, 2002) following the two-month response date.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$65.00 for the late filing of the declaration.

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